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VIA ECF

The Honorable J.P. Stadtmueller
U.S. District Court
517 E. Wisconsin Ave.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Re: *United States v. Minjie Cao*
Re: Report from Parties regarding COVID Order compliance
Case No. 21-CR-186

Dear Judge Stadtmueller:

On November 9, 2021, the Court issued an Order (Doc. #10) directing the parties to inform the Court whether they can comply with the Court's COVID-19 Order issued on November 9, 2021 (Doc. #9). The Court noted that no dates were yet set on the calendar and that, once the parties noted whether they can comply with the court's COVID-19 order, future dates would be set. With that in mind the parties report as follows:

- Assistant U.S. Attorney Benjamin Proctor is able to comply with the Court's COVID-19 order and attend any in-court hearings.
- Attorney Michelle Jacobs and defendant Minjie Cao are able to comply with the Court's COVID-19 order and attend any in-court hearings.

At this time, the parties believe the case will resolve short of trial and they are working on a resolution. The parties request that the Court not set this matter for trial yet, and instead set the matter for a scheduling hearing, status hearing, or joint status report in approximately 45 days. The parties further request that the Court make a finding to exclude time under 18 U.S.C. § 3171(h)(7).

This letter is being filed on behalf of all parties after review and approval by counsel for the government and counsel for the defendant.

Sincerely,

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